GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:3
ANSWERED ON:02.02.2017
Central Road Fund
Nagar Shri Rodmal

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the funds accrued and released to the States under the Central Road Fund (CRF) during last two years and current year;

(b) the number of road projects sanctioned, funds allocated and progress achieved under CRF, State-wise during the above period;

(c) the norms/guidelines fixed for identification of roads under CRF;

(d) whether some deficiencies have been noticed in these norms/guidelines and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether such norms are being/have been revised and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 3 ANSWERED ON 02.02.2017 ASKED BY SHRI NAGAR RODMAL REGARDING CENTRAL ROAD FUND

(a) The funds accrued under the Central Road Fund (CRF) during 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 (upto December, 2016) were Rs. 26,108 crore, Rs. 69,809 crore and Rs. 54,388 crore (provisional) respectively.
This Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs).
Apart from this, the Ministry also allocates funds to the States/ Union Territories (UTs) for development of State Roads (non Rural Roads) and Roads of Economic Importance and Inter State Connectivity (EI&ISC) as per the provisions of the CRF Act, 2000 amended by the Finance Act from time to time. The State/ UT-wise details of the CRF accrual and release and allocation and release/ expenditure under EI&ISC schemes during the last two years and the current year are at Annexure-I.

(b) The State / UT-wise details of projects approved / sanctioned for development of State Roads under CRF and EI & ISC Schemes during the last two years and current year are at Annexure-II and Annexure-III respectively.
As per Ministry's extant policy, the projects under the schemes are to be completed within thirty six months for hill States, North East States and twenty four months for other States.
The State / UT-wise details of projects completed under the CRF and EI&ISC schemes during the last two years and current year are at Annexure-IV & Annexure-V respectively.

(c) The identification, prioritization and selection of projects for approval/sanction under CRF and EI&ISC schemes are governed by the CRF(State Roads) Rules, 2014 amended by the CRF(State Roads) Amendment Rules, 2016.

(d) and (e) The total number of road accidents in the country during 2015 was about 5,01,423 which resulted into about 1,46,133 numbers of persons killed.
The CRF (State Roads) Rules, 2014 have been amended by the CRF (State Roads) Amendment Rules, 2016 with specific focus on Road Safety keeping in view the experiences gained, feedbacks received from various sources, etc.
These amended Rules inter-alia stipulate earmarking of 10% of funds for Road Safety works in States/UTs.